

MR. HANSEN LOSES

Judge Mc Bride Sustains Demurrer of Mr. Page.

COMMISSIONER NOT OFFICER

Several Cases Disposed of Yesterday—This Will Probably Be the Last Day of the Current Term.

In the circuit court yesterday afternoon Hon. T. A. McBride, judge presiding, handed down a verbal ruling in the matter of the State of Oregon, by Jens H. Hansen, relator, versus Charles H. Page, defendant, which case, for public interest here, supercedes everything else at bar this term.

The judge sustained the demurrer filed by Messrs. Taylor and Smith, attorneys for the defendant, and held that the office of police commissioner is not a city office in the common acceptance of the term that in the event such a construction was possible, the term of six years allotted them by the charter provision naming the term of office, would have been unconstitutional and he was inclined to think the legislature, in passing the law that governs the creation and tenure of the office, construed it to be a city office, sub modo, and not of the status and term of the ordinary municipal service.

G. C. Fulton, of the attorneys for the plaintiff, Messrs. Harrison Allen and Franklin being his colleagues in the case, gave notice of appeal to the supreme court, and the issue will go up for further adjudication. The following matters were disposed of yesterday in the circuit court:

Pacific Iron Works versus F. C. Casey, et al., settled and dismissed.

In the matter of the application of E. Z. Ferguson to register title, an order was made appointing Hon. J. Q. A. Bowlby as examiner of the title in question.

The case of John L. Bock versus the City of Astoria, was dismissed, and court adjourned until 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon, Judge McBride giving out an intimation that this would be the last day of the present term. Today the

judge is in St. Helens determining a court matter.

In the circuit court yesterday a suit was filed by Ruth M. Knopf against Emily M. Cashel, George Cashel, Martin Fourn, V. H. Colley, and E. Z. Ferguson. According to the complaint the plaintiff alleges that when her father, J. W. Minkler, died, the plaintiff's interest in the estate, was sold by Mrs. Cashel for less than its value, and that after the sale the said defendant kept the money using it for the purpose of showing her husband what the other side of the pond looked like. It is further alleged that when the plaintiff became of age she was induced to release her claim on the estate of the deceased through misrepresentation, and now she comes into court praying that she be awarded judgment against the defendants in the sum of \$2043.62, with interest at 6 per cent.

Judge McBride yesterday dismissed the case of John L. Bock against the City of Astoria, and in the order decreed that the costs and disbursements should be paid by the attorneys for the plaintiff, George Noland, and J. F. Hamilton. The costs amount to \$163. Bock, the plaintiff in the case, is now doing time in the penitentiary for having committed perjury in the hearing of the suit.

ST. PATRICK'S PROGRAM.

Young Men's Institute Give Entertainment Tomorrow Night.

The following is the program for the St. Patrick's entertainment to be given Saturday evening in Logan's Hall under the auspices of the Young Men's Institute:

"Come Back to Erin," Miss L. McCann; introductory remarks by the chairman of the evening, Hon. F. J. Carney; address by the Mayor, Hon. H. Wiser; "Shoogy-Shoogy," Mr. J. Vernon; "Astoria," Miss K. Shively; oration, Hon. Wallace McCann; "The Last Rose of Summer," Mrs. C. H. Abernethy; "The Wearing of the Green," Mr. G. Larner; address, Dr. A. C. Smith of Portland; "Avonmore," Mr. N. Johnson; "The Harp That Once Through Tart's Halls," Mrs. J. H. O'Connell; "Dublin Bay," Mr. C. H. Abernethy; "America," the audience. Miss G. Kearney will act as accompanist.

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PREPARING FOR STRIKE.

New York Coal Dealers Prepare For Emergencies.

NEW YORK, March 15.—New indications were shown that the coal dealers, though there is no certainty as to whether there will be a hard coal strike, are preparing for emergencies in this city. The members of the retail coal dealers' association, it was learned, have begun to lay in anthracite to the full capacity of their yards.

An effort to hold themselves free from blame by their patrons in case of a strike has been made by the members of the coal merchants' association through circulars advising their patrons of the stand they take. Their circulars contain the following:

"Whether there will be a strike in the coal fields, no man knows. The best informed in the trade anticipate trouble. If there should be a strike, prices will probably be higher; if there should be no strike, prices will probably be lower, beginning April 1. We do not feel that we should take the responsibility of advising what you are to do."

Independent operators, their sales agents, and brokers, admitted that the prices of all kinds of coal, where they fell below the circular rates of the companies, have been raised to company rates.

SITUATION IS ACUTE

Chicago Teamsters Will Be Idle on April First.

WILL BE NO COAL TO HAUL

Railroads Rre Laying in Supply of Coal and if There is Strike or Not the Teamsters Will Be Idle—21,000 Tons a Day Being Hauled.

CHICAGO, March 15.—The coal situation in Chicago as far as the coal teamsters are concerned, is growing more acute hourly, owing to the rumors of an approaching coal strike with the attendant coal famine. It has dawned upon the teamsters that on April 1, the 2000 men employed here will be without employment for an indefinite period whether or not there is a strike.

Since the first reports of trouble at the coal field, business houses, county and city institutions and railroads have been laying in large quantities of fuel. It is estimated that the coal reserves are now hauling more than 21,000 tons a day.

The trouble for the teamsters will come April 1, when the coal strike will either come or peace will be made. If the strike is called there will be no more to haul and the teamsters will be compelled to quit work. If there is no strike the coal now stored will be used and the result will be the same.

LONG SENTENCE.

MANILA, March 15.—The supreme court of the islands has confirmed the decision of the lower court in the case of J. F. Carrington, formerly a major of the United States army. Carrington will now appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States.

Carrington was convicted in February last of falsifying vouchers of the civil government when an officer in the army and in charge of a battalion of Filipino scouts, to the amount of \$1500, and was sentenced to a term of sixty years and five days imprisonment. He was subsequently tried by court martial and dismissed from the army.

CHEAP RATES FROM THE EAST VIA THE O. R. & N. CO.

The following list represents a few of the Eastern points from which Colonist rates shown below will apply via the O. R. & N. to Astoria from February 15th to April 7, 1906:

Atlanta, Ga., \$46.75; Pittsburg, Pa., \$42; Baltimore, Md., \$49.75; Washington, D. C., \$49.75; Boston, Mass., \$49.90; Peoria, Ill., \$31; Buffalo, N. Y., \$42.50; Oklahoma, O. T., \$30; Chicago, Ill., \$33; St. Louis, Mo., \$30; Cincinnati, O., \$33; Kansas City, Mo., \$25; Cleveland, O., \$40; St. Joseph, Mo., \$25; Detroit, Mich., \$39.75; Omaha, Neb., \$25; Montreal, Que., \$48.90; Sioux City, Ia., \$25; New York, N. Y., \$50; St. Paul, Minn., \$25; Philadelphia, Pa., \$49.75; Minneapolis, Minn., \$25.

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RESERVE QUESTION

Congress to Consult Localities in Creating Reserves.

PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE VOICE

Senator Fulton Granted Delay in Creating Rogue River Forest Reserve, Until He Can Find Out Local Sentiment On Question.

ASTORIA NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., March 15.—Congress seems to grow more earnest in the purpose of holding close hand on any great work of the nation, and not delegating absolute and unqualified control to executive officials. When Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, brings up for consideration his bill to place forest reserves under greater direct congressional control, and take back again the power of creating such, it seems assured of greater support than was thought probable some time ago.

If the Heyburn bill does not secure a place before Congress, giving Western interests an opportunity for voicing the feeling there on this subject, it is quite certain that some other bill will be introduced. Senator Fulton, of Oregon, has been endeavoring to get an expression of the Senate on this question, especially regarding the creation of more reserves. The experience of some of the stock interests of the state in so far as being unable to convince the reserve management of the right of Oregon men to the range in that state, has been one feature of management that has created much discussion. In the creation of Oregon reserves, the necessity of appealing from some of the bureau officials to the President in person, with the consequent trouble and delay of this proxy procedure, and the positive statement made by many persons affected that land is now embraced within reserves which would be valuable for agriculture and horticulture, emphasizes the necessity of giving the people where reserves are created more of a voice in the work. It is held by many that this cannot be unless the power of creating reserves is left with Congress, in which body there is a marked tendency to defer local questions to the delegations affected.

Consult Local Sentiment.

In granting Senator Fulton the courtesy of delaying creation of the Rogue River forest reserve, the southwestern Oregon, President Roosevelt emphasized that he did so to enable the Senator to get together the community sentiment. If that portion of the state is opposed to the reserve, the inference follows that the administration will not be made permanent. In doing this the President has deferred to local sentiment more than his subordinates in administrative circles, as the Forestry Bureau is determined to make this withdrawal permanent, with few eliminations. The several communications sent to Senator Fulton already indicated to him that a majority of the people directly affected were against the reserve. As there had not been full expression of opinions, all the Senator could say to the President in this regard was that he believed the people opposed. Developments within the next few weeks will prove whether there is a majority sentiment against or for the proposition.

For New White House.

Each session of Congress gives rise to reports of a new mansion for the nation's chief executive. This is no exception, although the discussion indulged this year is quite vague. Since the nation began giving to some branches of the government family beautiful homes, the consistency of improving upon the ancient and rather shapeless marble pile known as the White House, grows more apparent. There is one site which every Washington heart leans toward for the new structure, this being in the Northwest section of the city, where there is a slightly little knoll of about the required acreage for commodious executive buildings. This site has been unapproachable in the past, the owner placing a prohibitory price upon it, but hope burns strong here that the time will come when the new White House, which is expected to be a most elegant palace, will surmount this eminence. It is in the heart of the rapidly developing fashionable quarter of the city, and while not very close to other government buildings, would at the present day be very fit as the site for the President's home.

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BEEF GOES UP.

Chicago Canned Beef Will Cost Not Less Than Ten Cents.

CHICAGO, March 15.—After April 15 no can of beef will cost less than 10 cents in Chicago. The directors of the Liquors' Association at a meeting yesterday voted unanimously for the increase and notice of the action will be sent to every member of the association.

An ordinance introduced recently in the council for the limitation of the number of saloons in the city to one for every 500 of population was endorsed. Friends of the measure explain that the ordinance is intended to prohibit the issuance of any more saloon licenses until the population reaches the point where the 1 to 500 rule would apply.

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BELIEVES HE LIED.

Sage of Esopus Thinks Teddy Will Ask For Another Term.

BRENSHAM, Ala., March 14.—Judge A. B. Parker passed through this city yesterday returning to the north in an interview with a representative of the Ledger, the former presidential candidate said:

"I am convinced as far as I am personally concerned, that Mr. Roosevelt will ask for the nomination of the Republican party for a third term. While this probably would be disputed if it were repeated in Washington, in my mind I am satisfied that at present this is the intention of the President. In spite of the fact that when his nomination in 1904 was an assured fact, he made the statement that under no circumstances would he again be a candidate, I believe Roosevelt has all along intended to ask for the nomination."

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CHESS PLAYER DYING.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—Harry N. Pillsbury, the noted chess player, is in a hospital in this city suffering from a stroke of paralysis followed by an attack of paralysis. Upon his return from Bermuda where he went for his health, he felt better than for two years. His physicians say he will probably not survive more than three or four days.

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NOTICE.

All voters of Clatsop county, irrespective of parties, are hereby invited and requested to meet and participate in a mass meeting to be held in "Logan hall" at Astoria, on Saturday, April 21, 1906, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of nominating a full county ticket to be voted for on Monday, June 4, 1906.

C. J. TRENCARD, Chairman of the Citizens' Committee of Astoria, Ore. MAX W. POHL, Secretary.

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